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| Applicant:  | Bryan George Way, et al.  | § |                                  |
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner:

Applicants request the Examiner to enter the following amendments:

**In the Specification:**

At page 2, please replace the paragraph under the heading "Related Applications" with the following.

This is a divisional application of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/197,044, filed October 12, 1999, hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

A marked-up version reflecting the amendments to the specification is provided in Exhibit A.

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 21 through 33.

**REMARKS**

In the present application, Applicants intend to prosecute claims 1 through 20 of the patent application (Serial No. 09/197,044). The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter into the record the above amendments prior to calculating the filing fee on the divisional continuing application referenced above.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments or otherwise feels it would be helpful, he is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (972) 731-2288.

Respectfully submitted,

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## EXHIBIT A

### Marked-Up Version of Amendments

Page 2, under section heading "Related Applications":

~~Not applicable.~~ This is a divisional application of co-pending U.S. Patent Application

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